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REMARKS

In response to the Office Action, Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to reconsider the above-captioned application in view of the foregoing amendments and the following comments. Based upon the interview with the Examiner, it is the Applicant's understanding that the above-amendments place all claims in condition for allowance. The above-limitations include the previously presented proposed amendments of Applicant. Thus, it is Applicant's understanding that Examiner Pich has spoken with his supervisor regarding this proposal and it should address all outstanding issues.

Applicant has endeavored to address all of the Examiner's concerns as expressed in the outstanding Office Action. Accordingly, amendments to the claims for patentability purposes, the reasons therefore, and arguments in support of the patentability of the pending claim set are presented above. If the Examiner has any questions which may be answered by telephone, he is invited to call the undersigned directly.

Respectfully submitted,

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